

**TOWN OF CHARLESTOWN  
PUBLIC NOTICE**

**TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING – March 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.  
Charlestown Elementary School, 363 Carolina Back Road, Charlestown, RI**

The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council will be held on March 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.  
at the Charlestown Elementary School, 363 Carolina Back Road, Charlestown, RI. The proposed agenda is as follows:

**1. CALL TO ORDER, Moment of Silence, Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. ROLL CALL**

Motion to move items 7a, 8a and 9a to be heard next on the agenda.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT for items not on the Agenda**

**4. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**5. PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD**

**6. ADMINISTRATOR, SOLICITOR, COMMISSION REPORTS**

a. Town Administrator

b. Town Solicitor

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

a. Presentation of a Hometown Hero to RICAN

b. Smoking Ban at the Town Beaches

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Discussion and potential action regarding asking volunteers to be trained in the proper method of “oiling” Canadian Geese eggs that is approved by the United States Humane Society and other groups interested in humanely reducing the Canadian Geese population in Charlestown

b. Discussion and possible action regarding the formation of a Stakeholder Commission to work with a vendor to redesign the Ninigret Park Master Plan to be comprised of a member of the Budget Commission, a member of the Conservation Commission, a member of the Economic Improvement Commission, a member of the Parks and Recreation Commission, a member of the Planning Commission, a representative from Frosty Drew Observatory, a representative from U.S. Fish and Wildlife, a representative from the Ninigret Park Neighborhood Community, a representative from the Chamber of Commerce, the Town Planner, the Director of Parks and Recreation, and the Town Solicitor

c. Discussion and possible action regarding honoring Bob Schiedler’s efforts in helping establish the Ninigret Park Dog Park by naming the building used at the dog park after him

d. Discussion of and potential action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a Ninigret Park Stakeholder

e. Discussion of and potential action regarding the addition of two documents to the Clerkbases information system that will provide town residents with the background information on the legal, ethical, and moral responsibilities that the Town agreed to when it accepted the land transfer from the Federal Government that became Ninigret Park

f. Discussion of and potential action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding with Ninigret Park Stakeholders the Frosty Drew Observatory and all Abutters to Ninigret Park

g. Discussion of and potential action regarding a letter to Charlestown Legislators in opposition of House Bills 7617, 7618, 7619 and 7620

**9. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

a. Public hearing and potential action regarding Ordinance 347 amending Chapter 218 Zoning, Section 75 Nuisances, D Lighting and Chapter 155 Nuisances, Article III Lighting, Section 15.

b. Ordinance #346 amending Chapter 218 Zoning Map Change, AP 13 Lot 96 – Ranalli, Henry J. & Nancy McNall from C1 to R40 originally ordered advertised for the March 12, 2012 meeting has been withdrawn by the applicant.

**10. COUNCIL SITTING AS BEVERAGE LICENSING BOARD - None**

**11. LICENSES AND PERMITS**

“CA” a. Approval of events at Ninigret Park with a recommendation from the Parks and Recreation Commission, subject to review of contracts by the Town Solicitor, receipt of all applicable paperwork and insurance and that all event details be satisfactorily met by the Parks and Recreation Director:

1. Memorial Day Parade Observances

Park Reservation: May 27, 2012 – 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: Waived

2. Charlestown School Grade 4 Picnic

Park Reservation: June 4, 2012 – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: Waived

Fee: Waived

3. Chowdafest Ultimate Frisbee Tournament – RI Ultimate Players Association

Park Reservation: July 14 & 15, 2012 – 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: \$200/field (minimum of 6 fields) = \$1200

4. Ham Radio Test – Field Day Weekend

Park Reservation: June 23 & 24, 2012

Camping: None

Insurance: Waived

Fee: Waived

5. Mystic Velo Club – Criterium

Park Reservation: May 6, 2012 – 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: \$100 prior to the event and \$2 per rider after the event

6. NEBRA – Biking Clinics

Park Reservation: April 28, 2012 and May 5, 2012 – 7:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: \$25 x 2 areas x 2 days = \$100

7. Northeast Masters Cycling Association - Criterium

Park Reservation: August 19, 2012 – 7:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: \$100 prior to the event and \$2 per rider after the event

8. Ocean State Senior Olympics

Park Reservation: June 3, 2012 – 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Camping: None

Insurance: \$1 million general liability

Fee: \$50

9. Rhythm and Roots

Park Reservation: August 26, 2012 – Noon through September 6, 2012 - Midnight

Camping: Yes

Insurance: \$2 million general liability; \$2 million liquor liability

Fee: \$9,000

“CA” b. Approval of an application received for a General Entertainment License from Small Axe Café - Hours of Indoor Entertainment: Sunday, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Wednesday, 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

“CA” c. Approval of an application received for a Flea Market License and a General Entertainment License from General Joseph Stanton Inn – Hours of Indoor Entertainment: Daily, 8:00 p.m. – 12:00 Midnight

**12. CONSENT AGENDA** *All items marked with “CA” are to be considered consent agenda*

Motion to accept, approve and place on file the following as the consent agenda: 11a, 11b, 11c, 13a, 13b, 17a, 17b, 17c, 18a, 18b, 18c, 18d and 18e

### **13. MINUTES AND REPORTS**

“CA” a. Town Council Minutes: February 8; February 13 (Executive and Regular Sessions)

“CA” b. Reports: Building Official, February 2012; Chief of Police, February 2012; Parks and Recreation Director, February 2012; Public Works Director, February 2012; Town Clerk, February 2012; Treasurer, January 2012; Wastewater Management, February 2012

### **14. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

a. Board and Commission vacancies

b. Voter ID requirement

### **15. ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS**

a. Resolution in support of Legislative Amendments to RIGL §17-11-1 “An Act Relating to Elections – Voting Districts and Officials”

b. Resolution in support of introduction and passage of legislation authorizing School Committees to utilize bus monitors at their discretion.

**16. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS - None**

**17. APPOINTMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS**

“CA” a. Appointment of Megan Berndt and Lara Wibeto to the Juvenile Hearing Board, terms to expire in February of 2015.

“CA” b. Reappointment of Kim E. Freni to the Board of Canvassers, term to expire in March 2018.

“CA” c. Reappointment of Robert Krause to the Coastal Ponds Management Commission, term to expire in March 2015.

**18. FISCAL MATTERS**

“CA” a. Approval of Abatements totaling \$1,758.21 as requested by the Tax Assessor.

“CA” b. Approval of the Rubberized Asphalt Chip Seal Bid Award to All States Asphalt, Inc. for an amount of \$83,699.00 to come from line item 01.990.9961 as budgeted.

“CA” c. Approval of the Charlestown Elementary School Sign Bid Award to Robson Corporation for an amount not to exceed \$25,000 with funds to come from impact fees.

“CA” d. Approval of the Professional Vendor Services Bid Award for Charlestown Beach to Johnny Angels Clam Shack in the amount of \$4,504 and Blue Shutters Beach to Johnny Angels Clam Shack in the amount of \$4,504 from May 2012 through September 2012.

“CA” e. Approval of Beach fees as recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission:

**Season Passes:**

Resident/Taxpayer Beach Sticker:	\$60
Resident/Taxpayer Beach Sticker – Senior:	\$40
Non Resident (Blue Shutters Only):	\$120
Non Resident (Blue Shutters Only) – Senior:	\$60

**Daily Entrance Fee:**

Charlestown Beach	
Weekday:	\$15
Weekend/Holidays:	\$20
Blue Shutters Beach	
Weekday:	\$15
Weekend/Holidays:	\$20

<b>Cottage Passes:</b>	<b>\$400</b>
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**19. LEGAL MATTERS - None**

**20. ADJOURNMENT**

The public is welcome to any meeting of the Town Council. If communication assistance (readers/interpreters/captions) is needed or any other accommodation to ensure equal participation, please call 711-364-1240 at least three (3) business days prior to the meeting.

**Advertised in the Westerly Sun: March 10, 2012**

**Posted to SOS, ClerkBase and at Town Hall: March 8, 2012**